

## Memorandum

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TO : Chairman, Equipment Board

DATE:

FROM : Chief, Operations Support Staff, OC

SUBJECT: Equipment Procurement

REFERENCE: Equipment Board Minutes 7-62

1. In accordance with para. 2, Agenda Item No. 3 of the reference, DD/P concurrence was requested and obtained for procurement of the equipments listed. These are:

200 KE-8 Keyers ✓  
 50 TP-3 Hellschreiber Printers  
 25 HD-2 [REDACTED] Receivers  
 400 CA-3 Cartridges  
 100 CO/B-8 Coders ✓  
 75 RR-48 Receivers  
 10 RT-52 Transistorized Transmitters

*procure now without  
waiting for the military  
procurement*

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2. We have been informally advised that the Army has recently asked for bids on 1,000 KE-8's, 1,000 CO/B-8's, 1,000 CO-3's and 2,000 CA-3's. Colonel Meyer of the Material Division, Special Forces has stated that production units should start becoming available within 90 days after the contract is let. Any requirements for coders, keyers or cartridges, beyond those considered in the reference, should be compiled at this time and ordered to take advantage of the favorable prices developing from Army procurement.

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3. [REDACTED] bid to the Army on KE-8's, CO/B-8's and CA-3's is as follows:

UNIT	(ORIGINAL CIA COST)	NUMBER OF UNITS		
KE-8	(513.61)*	500- 999 494.47	1000- 1499 471.85	1500- 1999 464.31
CO/B-8	(463.60)*	373.09	356.18	342.28
CA-3	( 51.55)	49.13	45.65	44.54

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\*Cost adjusted for price reversal

4. Additional procurement of these items beyond those listed in para. 1 is believed necessary. Current status is as follows:

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